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RAVAGES OF THE WATERS.

The Floods Receding in Some Localities and Increasing in Others.

Additional Evidences of Distress and Destitution Brought to Light.

The Ohio River Over Two Feet Higher Than the Record of Last Year.

Generous Assistance Sent from Various Cities-Details of Disasters.

CINCINNATI, OHIO, Feb. 12.-The sun shone this morning for the first time since the flood began, and it is almost springlike in temperature. These facts give some eucourment, but since noon the sky has again become overcast and there are fears of more rain. The water at 1 p. m. was 68 feet 35 inches, lacking but one-half an inch of being 2 feet higher than last year. The increased velocity of the current in Second and Front streets cuts off the number of boats that can ply between the water's edge and suspension bridge. If this continues it will cut Covington off from Cincinnati, and materially in-

crease the discomfort of the situation.

The condition of things at Newport, Ky., is growing still more frightful. The worst is growing still more frightful. The worst fears about the damage to the foundations of buildings have been realized. To-day a fine residence, built last year at an expense of \$10,000, topled over and is a complete mass of ruins. Fortunately, the family had removed. Many more buildings are in dauger, and it is feared that this afternoon and to-night may bring a calamity of the worst nature. Many people are in houses unable to get away, and must be lost if the houses fall. The relief committee are receiving very liberal contributions to-day. Mr. Dueber, who appealed to the jewelers of the country yesterday, has already received \$800 from Chicago. He is creeting a temporary shelter on high grounds, and after the flood he will give the timber to the homeless for the rebuilding high grounds, and after the flood he will give the timber to the homeless for the rebuilding of their houses. Mrs. Duebar, who has been feeding 50 children at her home, to-day increased the number to 100. In Cincinnati there is a marked impetus to the relief subscriptions. The city has taken a proud position in refusing help from abroad. The Times' Star has started a popular dime subscription-heading the list with \$200. A considerable sum has been collected in response. The troubles of the postoffice and mail carriers increase. All the through northern, eastern, and northwestern mails must be carried by wagons to Chester park, by way of Clifton, directly northward from this city, a distance of seven miles. f seven miles.

A dispatch to the Times-Star from Butler,

A dispatch to the Times-Star from Butler, Ky., reports the river rising two inches per hour. The weather is cloudy and warm. At Jefferson, Ind., 9,000 people have been compelled to move to the second stories. At failipolis, Ohio, the river is falling and it is cloudy. Four relief boats have been sent to Pomeroy where the people are camping on the hill tops. Many persons are suffering from the cold.

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Toledo, Ohio, Feb. 12.—An appeal has been issued by R. H. Cochrane, supreme dictator of the Knights of Honor, entitled "Distress Call to All Lodges of the Knights of Honor," calling for aid for the sufferers from the floods in the Ohio river and its tributaries. It says aid may be sent by telegraph or otherwise to any of the following named persons and will be distributed by them in their own neighboring and remote communities to the needy sufferers, whether they be of use or not. Col. Lewis Wilson, Cincinnati, Ohio; not, Col. Lewis Wilson, Cincinnati, Ohio; O. G. Schofield, Wheeling, W. Va.; Judgo Robort J. Brickenridge, Louisville, Ky.; Judgo Okey Johnson, Parkersburg, W. Va.; Thomas E. Richards, Zanesville, Ohio; John B. Ewan, Covington, Ky.; Roseman Girdner, legheny, Pa.; W. B. Godfrey, New Albany,

Sufferers in other communities will report their needs to one of the above-named gentle

LOUISVILLE, KY., Feb. 12 .- The river rose eight inches last night and now stands forty-two feet two inches, and is rising half an inch an hour. The weather has been clear warm, and bright until now, but is begin The weather has been clear, ning again to rain. The railroad tracks from Jeffursonville to New Albany are abandoned. The Jeffersonville, Madison and Indianapolis, the Ohio and Mississippi, and the Louisville, New Albany and Chicago roads transfer by beat from the bridge to New Albany. The St. Louis Air Line has abondoned its trains. The river is nearly two feet over last year's rise. The outlook is disheartening. The Kentucky river is rising three-fourths of an inch an hour at Frankfort, with twenty-four feet in the channel. The weather there is

PITTSBURG, PA., Feb. 12.-The rivers are

swelling again at the rate of two inches per hour, with 18 feet 3 inches on the Monon-gahela marks and 19 feet on the Allegheny. Dispatches from all points above here report continued rain and rising water. The people living in the bottom lands are filled with apprehensions of another flood. Many have not yet recovered from the late deluge, and the discouraging outlook tends to increase the uncomfortable feeling. With 19 feet of water here now the submerging of the lower districts of the two is quite probable. The situ-ation among the sufferers in Allegheny is werse if possible than on any day since the flood abated, and numerous additional cases of destitution have been reported. Many of the victims, in addition to having been systematically plundered by the waters were thrown out of employment by the workshops being devastated, and under any circum-stances this fact alone would be productive of more or less want among the poorer classes.
At least 3.500 persons were supplied with food
yesterday, an increase over any previous day.
Little Rock, ARK, Feb. 12.—The Little
Rock and Fort Smith railroad bridge over the bayou this side of Ozark was washed away by the flood to-day, and one-fourth of a mile of track is covered with water. Owing to a ledge rock giving away a portion of the track was carried into the river. A steady rain fell all night and this merning. The Arkansas is rising rapidly this forenoon, and it is beginning to be believed that by to-night the water will be higher than for severa

CALEO, ILL., Feb. 12.-A heavy fog pre valled nearly all night, making havigation almost impossible. The Texas and St. Louis railroad suspended running trains to Cairo this morning, the water being over the track at Bird's Point. The river here is forty-six feet eight inches high, and is rising at the rate of half an inch per hour. Business is going on as uaual.

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The narrow gauge road between St. Louis and Caire is flooded north of the latter point, and the running of trains is abandoned.

St. Louis, Feb. 12.—All trains east of Charleston, Mo., to Caire and south of Charleston to Belmont on the Iron Mountain railway have been discontinued on account of the high water.

e high water. Wheeling, Feb. 12.—The river has fallen steadily since Wednesday night, and at 9 p. m. was 27 feet. Slow progress has been made in clearing away the debris left by the flood. The number of destitute persons is materially reduced, but several thousand are still de-pendent upon the relief committee. Since the flood recoded a singular phenomenon has been noticed at Powhatan, Sand and water was thrown a considerable height there by was thrown a considerable height there by three regular geysers, which attract many sight-seers. William Derry, aged 45, upon a c stumbled on a package on the lower deck of his fathe Ahner O'Neal, on route up the river, and fell into the water a short distance above thorities.

town. The body has been recovered. An immense land slide on the hill in the second ward, resulting from the recent rains, threatens the destruction of four or five houses. Two small tenements, belonging to a man named White, were deserted to-day by the panic stricken inmates. Donations for the benefit of flood sufferirs are still coming in liberally. of flood sufferers are still coming in liberally, but the committee are yet at heavy expense. Senator Payne, of Ohio, telegraphed \$1,000 to-day. A telegram was received from the sec-

day. A telegram was received from the secretary of war authorizing the mayor to expend \$2,000 and draw on the department. The relief committee reports that the worst need is clothing and bedding.

MEMPHIS, Feb. 12. The river to-night marks 32 feet 5 inches, which is 1 foot 7 inches below the danger line and 13 feet 7 inches below the extreme high water mark. The rise during the past twenty-four hours has only been 4 inches. This is due to the fact that the river has gone over its banks above here, and is filling up the sunken lands along the St. Francis river, which it is thought will interfere with travel over the Memphis and Little Rock railroad by Friday. Arrangements have already been made by the officials of that road to put a line of steamers between ments have already been made by the officials of that read to put a line of steamers between here and Madison, Ark., on the St. Francis river, to connect with the railroad at that point. The Kansas City, Springfield and Memphis railroad will also feel the effects of the high water, as their road bed extends through the St. Francis river bottom lands as far as Memphis.

Francis river bottom lands as far as Memphis. They have issued orders not to receive any more freight, but passenger trains are running regularly. The Louisville, New Orleans and Texas railroad, which is in course of construction, and is to connect Memphis and New Orleans along the river bank, via Vicksburg, will also suffer by the washing away of its road. Work on the line has been suspended. The country between here and Vicksburg not protected by lovees will in all probability be submerged and soveral newly built levees will be put to the test of withstanding the encroaching waters.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 12.—Mr. Robert Garrett to-day issued orders for the free transportation of provisions or other donations on all

tation of provisions or other donations on all lines of the Baltimore and Ohio road for the sufferers by the floods in the western rivers. Also the free use of, the Baltimore and Ohio

Also the free use of, the Baltimore and Ohio telegraph wires for the same purpose.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—Two thousand dollars was subscribed by the boards of trade.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 12.—The Pennsylvania Railroad company has contributed \$4,000 for the sufferers by the western floods, having ordered \$2,000 to be distributed from the Pittaburg office and \$1,000 each along the line of the Pan Handle and Pittaburg, Fart Wayne and Chieseo roads.

Fort Wayne and Chicago roads.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 12.—Four thousand dollars were appropriated by the society for organizing charity, and a subscription list has been opened with Messrs. Drexel & Co.,

The Collier Poisoning Case.

HUNTER'S POINT, N. Y., Feb. 12.-Prof. Miller testified before the coroner's jury to day that he found more than sufficient arsenic in the organs of Catherine and Thomas Collier to cause death, and also in those of Dennis Cowhey, the father of Mrs. Collier, who died Jan. 19. The others died Feb. 2. The fact that Dennis Cowhey was killed by poison causes considerable excitement. Prof. Miller also testified that "rough on rats" was Miller also testified that "rough on rats" was composed mainly of commercial arsenic. There is no doubt that all were victims of foul play. Nothing beyond the purchase of two boxes of "rough on rats" by Annie Cowhey, daughter of Thomas Cowhey and sister of Mrs. Collier, has been discovered connecting any person with the crime. Annie Cowhey and her brother John will be taken before Justice McDonald at Newton to morrow for examination. They are now sheld without bail on suspicion of causing the deaths of Catherine and Thomas Collier. The verdict will be reached this afternoon.

After examining Margaret and Gopher Lang Coroner Robinson this afternoon closed the inquiry, and the jury returned a verdict as follows: "That Catherine Collier came to her death by arsenical poisoning, but whether intertains of the control of the

death by arsenical poisoning, but whether intentionally or accidentally administered cannot be determined; that Thomas Collier came to his death by poisoning by arsenic administered by some person or persons unknown." The matter of Dennis Cowhey's death will be submitted to the grand jury, which meets in March.

The Redistricting Bill Passed by the Vir-

ginia Senate.
RICHMOND, VA., Feb. 12.—The senate today passed the bill redistricting the state for representatives in congress. It was immediately communicated to the house of delegates, where, after two hours' fillibustering on the part of the coalitionists, it was passed by a strict party vote, the coalitionists voting in the negative. The bill was imme-diately enrolled and signed by the presiding officers of both houses and sent to the gov-ernor. In the event of its return with cascutive disapproval the vote to pass it over the veto will be very close, taking the vote of last November as a basis. The redistricting shows eight districts democratic and two re

publican or coalitionist.
Two of the districts, the first and ninth, which thus appear democratic, are considered doubtful, as the straightout republicans in the November election voted with the demo-ciats, and these are not expected to do so at the next presidential election. Their vote taken from the democratic majorities of last year in the two districts named will make the contest in them exceedingly close.

The Norwich Tragedy-Inquest on the

Body of McClellan. Nonwich, Conn., Feb. 12.—Coroner Park held an inquest on the body of Al McClellan this morning, and received the report of the medical examiner on the autopsy, and heard evidence from half a dozen witnesses who switches from half a dozon withesecs who saw the concluding scene of the crime. Two witnesses saw Conant fire and McClellan fall. One saw the murderer walk up to McClellan's body, turn it over while it was gaping and quivering in death, apparently felt of his pulse, and say twice, "I'll teach you to let my wife alone." The pistol, which was found where Conant said he left it, was exhibited as found. Conant said he left it, was exhibited as found conant said he left it, was exhibited as round with three chambers empty. The coroner returned a verdict that McClellan came to his death from a bullet feloniously, deliberately, and willfully fired at his body by Frank V. Conant, and that, too, when deceased was running from him to escape his manderous assailant. There are runners to murderous assailant. There are rumors today that Conant's wife is showing signs of

The Cadets' Court Martini. ANNAPOLIS, MD., Feb. 12.-The court marfal at the naval academy continued to-day the trial of Cadet Jastremski, charged with hazing and attempting to haze Cadet C. C. Craig. Cadets Bird, Philips, and Ballinger were examined, their testimony all being corroborative of what has already been published—the attempt to make Craig stand on his head, his refusal, and the effort to put him on his head, when Craig struck Maxoy with skatos.

A New Telegraph Company. HARRISHURG, PA., Feb. 12.-An applica-

tion has been filed for a charter of the Western Pennsylvania Telegraph and Telephone company, with a capital of \$100,000. The business is to be confined to the western counties of Pennsylvania and portions of West Virginia, Ohio, New York, and Mary-land. The chief office will be located at Pittsburg.

A Postmuster's Son Arrested. ASBURY PARK, N. J., Feb. 12.-Americus Rogers, aged 23, son of Postmaster Andrew S. Rogers, of Hamilton, was arrested to-day upon a charge of tampering with letters in his father's office. He was taken to Treaton to await the action of the United States auA TALK ON POLITICS.

What Col. Quay, of Philadelphia, Says About Presidential Candidates.

He Thinks the Delegates Should Not Go to the Convention Instructed.

Special Disputch.
PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 12.—A telegram from Washington published in to-day's Press stated that Congressman Semuel F. Barr had been sent to Philadelphia with orders from Senstor Cameron for the boys to turn in for John A. Logan as Pennsylvania's choice for the presidency. An effort was made to find Mr. Barr, but he either did not arrive or else took good care to keep himself out of the reach of the reporters. In the same telegram a doubt was expressed as to whother Col. Quay and Chris Magee would agree to the plan, both having shown some preference for Arthur. Col. Quay was asked if he had read it.

"Yes," was the reply with a laugh, "but Barr doesn't seem to be here yet. Perhaps he stopped on the way to get further instruc-tions. I see, also, that Bayne says that the

stopped on the way to get further instructions. I see, also, that Bayne says that the state is being set up for Logan, and that I am to run the state convention because Mr. Cameron is committed to Arthur."

"What is there in the story?"

"Well, they may be hatching some scheme over there in Washington that I know nothing about," said the colonel, with another laugh, "I really don't think any work is being done in the state for anybody, unless it may be for Blaine, and then it is not with his consent, but it is being done by men who want to go to the national convention. You know there is a strong Blaine sentiment in the state, but I have no idea that he will be a candidate for the nomination. Remember, I say that no work is being done to my knowledge. I would be very likely to know if such a thing were going on."

"Has any word of a political nature been received from Senator Cameron?"

"Not that I know of. I had a letter from him some time ago—the twenty-seventh of last month. He was at Geneva then, on his way to Rome."

"Does he say anything about returning home?"

"Not a word. I think his intention is to

home?"
"Not a word. I think his intention is to remain abroad until he is a perfectly well man. His health has already improved vary much. He proposes to go to Algiers, and then through Spain; so you see there is no telling when he will return."
"How would Logan suit you?"
"Oh, very well. I think the west will press him vory hard."
"There is no question then as to his being permanently in the field?"
"None at all. My own preference is for

permanently in the field?"

"None at all. My own preference is for Arthur, but I am for the best man for the party. He must of course be a pronounced protectionist; a good republican cannot be anything else. I do not think it wise to send an instructed delegation to Chicago. That will result in a loss of strength. The delegation should be free to throw its united weight for the best man. I think you will find that to be the general sentiment throughout the state. The canvass of the state committee made by the Press shows the general prevalence of that idea."

"What about the over ripe Philadelphia appointments?"
"I do not understand why they are held back. Arthur has a great many apples in his basket. If he is not careful some of them will rot on his hands."

Joaquin Miller Sues for Damages for "'49,"

New York, Feb. 12.-Joaquin Miller has brought suit against McKee Rankin, the actor, for \$5,000 damages for performing the play of "'49" without permission, and asks for an injunction to restrain defendant from producing the play in the future. In his complaint Mr. Miller alleges that he in-trusted the manuscript of the play of "Old '49" to Mr. Rankin to deliver to a London actor named Williamson, which he neglected to do, and refused to give up the manuscript. He also alleges that Mr. Rankin, after making some changes in the play, produced it under the title of "'49."

Mr. Rankin in his answer denies that the play performed by him is the property of Mr. Miller, or is an adaptation of any play of his. He says he produced it under an agree-ment with Mr. Miller that the play should belong to it, and that he might give Miller anything he might deem proper. The case was brought to trial to-day before Judge Lawrence in the supreme court, and is still in progress.

Suspicious if True.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12 .- The Post says: We have private and trustworthy advices from Washington to the effect that the Pacific rail road and public lands committee, to which have been referred the several bills hostile to all the Pacific roads, are not inclined to deal unjustly with these properties nor allow themselves to be made use of by Wall street peculators in their raids upon the various Pacific stocks. It is believed that the temper of both houses has experienced a decided change since the questions of land grant forfeiture, &c., have been examined, and both sides heard, and it is the opinion of disin-terested and unprejudiced persons that no hostile legislation will be enacted by the present congress.

The Principal Prizes.

Special Disputch.
NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 12.—The following numbers drew the principal prizes to-day at the regular monthly drawing of the Louisiana lottery : No. 71,342, first capital, sold in New York, San Francisco, and Jacksonville, Fla.; No. 99,355, second capital, sold in Mor-ganton, Burke county, N. C.; No. 80,428, third capital, sold in Washington, D. C.; No. 3,631, sold in New Orleans, and No. 68,570, each \$8,000; Nos. 8,000, 61,015, 64,805, 66,342, 73,886, each \$2,000, sold in New York, Orleans, Fort Wayne, Ind.; Cumberland, Washington, La.; Jackson, Tenn., and Fort Smith, Ark.

Libel Suit Against the New York "Times." NEW YORK, Feb. 12 .- The suit of Rev. Edward B. M. Browne against George Jones, the publisher of the New York Times, for \$25,000 damages for alleged libel was brought to trial to-day before Judge Beach in the court of common pleas. The article complained of as libelous was published in January, ISSI, when the plaintiff, who is a Jewish rabbi, was lecturing on religious subjects in Atlanta, Ga., and was headed a "Rabbi in Trouble." Ga., and was headed a "Rabbi in Trouble The defense is in the nature of general denial, and that the matter was published with the consent and approval of the plaintiff. The trial will be resumed to-morrow.

Their Resignations to Be Asked. PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 12.—The resolution recently offered in councils requesting the trustees of the Philadelphia Gas works to demand the resignation of the cashier, Samuel M. White, and Chief Engineer William K. Park, "as the evidence in the gas trust equity Park, "as the evidence in the gas trust equity suit shows that the official acts of the gentlemen named are of such a character as to destroy the confidence reposed in all public servants" came up for consideration this afternoon before the gas committee, and after some discussion it was voted to report the resolution to councils affirmatively.

Ice in the Chesapeake Bay.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 12 .- Navigation in the upper waters of Chesapeake bay has been very difficult to-day in consequence of drift ice and timber logs from the Susquehanna. The mouth of the Patapaco river is almost en-

tirely closed and the ice extends across the bay and down to Thomas point. Both ice boats are at work to keep open a way up to this port,

THE FALL OF SINKAT.

The Brave Garrison Compelled to Surrender and are Brutally Bute hered. London, Feb. 13 .- A correspondent at Suakin telegraphs as follows: At last the heroic garrison of Sinkat have been butchered. For a fornight they had been eating roots and tree leaves. It was an enfeebled band, indeed, which sortled out to die amid the rebel hordes. Towfik Bey had harangued indeed, which sortied out to die amid the rebel hordes. Tewfik Bey had harangued his men, saying that by fighting they might save themselves, but that by remaining they must die from hunger in a few days; flight was impossible. The men, thus animated with Tewfik Bey's spirit, destroyed the military stores, exploded the magazine, filled their pouches to their utmost with cartridges, and issued forth, 600 strong, against the rebels. Osman Digmas's hordes rushed to the attack. Tewfik Bey and his men fought nobly. For a long time they repulsed every attempt to break their ranks. Finally superior numbers prevailed, and with a tremendous rush the rebels burst through one of the sides of the Egyptian square. A general massacre ensued, and not a soul escaped. According to the latest reports, only four sick men, who were unable to take part in the sortie, the cadi of Sinkat, and thirty women were spared by the rebels.

Gen. Gordon telegraphs that in spite of Baker Pasha's defeat he is still sanguine of success. He has appointed Col. Coetlegon commander of Khartoum, and has sent fresh messages to the shelkhs to meet him.

Admiral Hewett, the commander at Suakin, has been instructed to do his utmost for the relief of Tokar, consistent with the safety of his forces.

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his forces.
SUEZ, Feb. 12—. The greatest activity pre valls here. Preparations for the despatch of forces to Suakin for the relief of Tokar are being rapidly pushed. A contingent of infantry and cavalry with guns and camels will be sent forward as soon as possible.

The Hot Springs Tragedy. Hot Springs, Ark., Feb. 12.—The funeral of John Flynn, one of the victims of Saturday's tragedy, on Sundaywas largely attended. The condition of the wounded is about the same, with the exception of Hall, the hack driver, who is rapidly sinking. The citizens held a meeting Saturday night and adopted a resolution that a committee of twelve citizens be appointed by the chair to investigate the recent killing, and to call on other citizens for such assistance as they might need to enforce the laws with full power to act. The committee met vesterday morning and ordered the laws with full power to act. The committee met yesterday morning, and ordered
Hugh Behan, James Fahan, and Dock Nagle,
friends of Flynn, to leave the city, which
they declined to do. The sheriff has guaranteed them protection, and they are now in
his charge. Intense excitement provails in
the city, but no further trouble is anticipated.
Both parties have warm sympathizers. Frank
Flynn is at home surrounded by friends. All
threats of lynching have died out, and the
law will be allowed to take its course.

Atlantic City's Embarrassment.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Feb. 12.-The pay ment of all bills by the city, except those for police service, was stopped last night by police service, was stopped last night by order of the city council. There is much excitement here over the matter. While the city is in a good financial condition, the debt being only \$40,000, it is temporarily embarrased by a recent legal construction of the word "indebtedness." The finance committee and the city sollicitor will confer with our representatives in the legislature, and that body being now in session, early relief will probably be given by legislative action.

An Official Inspection of Hog Products
Wanted.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12 .- At a meeting, without previous notice, of the members of the New York produce exchange interested in the provision trade, F. H. Parker presiding, the following resolution was carried unani-

mously:
"That a system of inspection by government
"That a system of inspection by government and live stock, as to officials of log products and live stock, as to condition and quality, be provided by act of congress, and that the microscopic examination of products proposed in France amounts to prohibition, and is unjust."

The New England Shipbuilding Com pany Formed.

BATH, Mr., Feb. 12.-The New Eugland Shipbuilding company has been formed here comprising the firms of Goss, Sawyer & Packard and Goss & Sawyer and a number of in-dividual capitalists, with a capital of \$500,000. The two firms contribute \$400,000, and Capt. Goss will manage the business. The company will own the ship yards, mills, &c., or the above firms, together with a marine railway and other properties. They have contracts amounting to \$300,000. Sylvester Marsh, of Cencord, N. H., is president.

Mary Anderson's Alleged Blackmailer. PITTSBUEG, Feb. 12.—The trial of Dr. George H. Marshall, who is charged with blackmailing Mary Anderson, the actress, was taken up in the United States court this af-ternoon. Marshall, it is alleged, sent letters to Miss Auderson, threatening to distribute broadcast lewd photographs of her unless certain amounts were sent to him. As Dr. Griffin and Miss Anderson, who were the principal witnesses, are in Europe, it is thought that Marshall will be acquitted.

Receiving Illegal Pension Fees PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 12.-Walter L. Jones a justice of the peace in Allentown, Pa., was arrested to-day and brought to this city upon the charge of receiving a larger fee for the collection of a pension than is allowed by law. The accused waived a hearing, and entered bail for his appearance at court.

Bosrow, Feb. 12.—Charles Rollin Brainard, a well-known member of the Suffolk bar, was arrested last night, charged with obtaining illeral pension fees. illegal pension fees.

They Protest Against Reduction. NEW YORK, Feb. 12.-The annual meeting of the Flax and Hemp Spinners' and Growers' association of America was held to-day at the Astor house. A committee was appointed to visit Washington, and lay before congress a protest against any reduction of the present duty on either raw materials or manufactured goods. Even the slightest reduction, it was said, would curtail domestic production, although it would increase the revenue by increasing importations. Even the slightest reduction, it was

A Judgment for \$800,000. PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 12 .- For some time past the most important legal event has been the pendency of the famous Sulzbach ve Thomson estate case before Judges McKen-

nan and Butler in the United States circuit court, and to-day it rendered a decision in favor of the plaintiffs, whose claims against

the Thomson estate aggregate about \$800,000

Gen. Logan Indorsed. MERIDEN, CONN., Feb. 12 .- At the annual nesting of the Lincoln club, composed of leading colored men of Connecticut, resolutions indersing Gen. John A. Logan as a presidential candidate were adopted. Letters from Geu. Logan, Hon. James G. Blaine, and Gen. Grant, regarding the rights of colored men in the south, were read.

The Murraysville Rioters Indicted. PITTSBUEG, PA., Feb. 12,-A. special from Greensburg says: The grand has found a true bills in the case of each per-son charged with being participants in the famous Murraysville riot. The charges are murder, assault with intent to kill, and aggravated assault and battery.

Woman Shoots a Man on an Elevated Railroad Platform and Then Commits

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.-This morning a

startling tragedy was enacted on the platform of the down-town station of the Third Avenue elevated railroad at Fifty-ninth street, A woman at present unknown made a mur derous assault on a man who gave his name to the police as Victor Grafton Andree. shooting him in the thigh and, thinking sho had killed him, put the pistol to her temple, and blew her brains out. She fell dead on the spot. The shooting occurred while the two, with other persons, were waiting for a train, and created wild excitement. The police took the wounded man to a hospital. No explanation of the mystery is yet at hand. The platform of the elevated railway station was crowded with people at the time of the shoeting, the trains having been delayed by the fog. Andree was accompanied by a little boy 7 years old, whom he held by the hand. Both had arrived upon the platform before the woman. She entered, dropped her ticket in the gateman's box, and walking up behind Andree she fired a revolver at him. He fell to the floor. She stood looking at him for a moment, then stepping back put the weapon to her own temple and fired. She died almost immediately. The man was alive with a bullet in his back. With the boy and the dead woman he was taken to the station house. Surgeons who were sent for probed for the bullet and found that it had lodged in the left side and that his chances for life werevery small. The man said that he was Victor Grafton Andree, of Lexington avenue, a journalist connected with German newspapers and a teacher in the educational establishment of J. G. Von Taube, at 10 Gramercy park. He admitted that he knew the woman who shet him, but refused to give any explanation of her act. The boy who was with him when shot was George Beckel, a son of Joseph J. Beckel, in whose house the wounded man lived. The woman was about 22 years old, with handsome, regular features, a fair complexion, dark brown hair, and hazel eyes. Nothing was found on her person which would lead to her identification except a white silk handkorchief, having the letter T worked on it. Andree has been in this country about six months. He acted as correspondent of the Beersen Courier, of Berlin, the German capital, a financial paper of which his father is owner. Andree was taking the boy down to school when he was shet. Nothing is known cencerning his relations with an T. Pending an investigation the po and blew her brains out. She fell dead on the spot. The shooting occurred while the

to the dead woman's identity. The name in the signature, however, did not begin with a T. Pending an investigation the police refused to make the letters public. The letter was written in English by a woman of education, and contained terms of bitter reproach. Andree is a highly educated young man, a graduate of the university of Berlin, and taught German, rhetoric, and algebra in the institute. He came recommended very highly from Germany, and was readily admitted to excellent society in this city.

The police have discovered that the young woman who shot Victor C. Andree, at the Fifty-ninth street elevated station this morning, was Miss Jennie H. Almey, aged 24, who taught in a kindergarten school. She lived at No. 111 West Twenty-fifth street, where she had hired a room for some time. A large package of letters was found in Andree's room, which she had written to him. From these it appears that he had promised to marry her, and had afterward deserted her, from some cause, but whether he had betrayed her or not could not be ascertained from the correspondence. The police think that desertion alone would not have sufficed to induce her to commit the crime. It was evident that Andree know that she was evident that Andree know that she was that described alone would not have sufficed to induce her to commit the crime. It was evident that Andree knew that ahe was waiting to see him, and that he dreaded the meeting. For this reason he reported at the school where he taught that he was sick, and had remained in his room during the whole of the past week. This morning he ventured out for the first time. It was said at Miss Almey's boarding house that she went every morning early and did house. acquainted last autumn at a house No. 25 East Twenty-second street, where they boarded together. Their actions then did not indicate that there was any love-making, as far as could be ascertained. They appeared to be only friends. There was nothing in Miss Almey's deportment in any of the places where she lived which was inconsistent with the idea that she was a virtuous woman, her manners being always modest and ladylike. Nothing however, could be learned of her antecedents. Her

could be learned of her antecedents. Her body was taken to the mergue, where it awaits the disposition of the coroner. Andree's condition grew rapidly werse at the hospital, and he vomited blood continually. The physicians say he cannot possibly recover. In his ante-mortem statements, taken this afternoon, he admitted that he was engaged to marry Miss Almey, but said that he broke his promise upon discovering that she was a divorced wife. He would not state how he found it out or give any further particulars, he found it out or give any further particulars, and the pelice doubt the truth of the state-ment. He would not answer any questions in regard to their relations. The pistol used by Miss Almey is a Smith & Weston selfocker, of large caliber, and was entirely new

AT THE PRESIDENT'S,

First of the Series of Card Receptions at the White House Last Night.

The first of the series of card reception vas given last evening at the white house in onor of the diplomatic corps. From 8 to 10 m, there was a continuous stream of carriages, conveying senators, representatives, supreme court justices, the judges of the district courts and the court of claims, the resident officers of the army and navy, all in full uniform. Ladies accompanied nearly all the distinguished officials mentioned,

A Microscopical Ciub.

An adjourned meeting of a number of gentlemen interested in the formation of a microscopical society was held at the office of Dr. E. M. Schaeffer, No. 1321 F street, last evening. The organization was completed and the following officers elected: Dr. E. M. Schneffer, president; Romyn Hitchook, M. D., vice president; Prof. William H. Seanan secretary, and Dr. C. T. Caldwell, treasurer It was agreed to hold meetings on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. Among those present were Drs. Reyburn, Foster, and others, and letters were read from several gentlemen desiring to become members.

Who Was to Blame!

Through some inexcusable neglect on the art of congressional attaches the resolution ppropriating \$300,000 for the flood sufferers was not laid before the President for his signature until late yesterday afternoon. The secretary of war could not apply any of the money to the relief of the sufferers until the residential signature was attached to the ocument, and so a day was lost,

Pani Boyton's Marriage. Cards are out for the wedding of Capt. Paul Boyton to Miss Maggie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Connelly, of Chicago. The coremony will take place to morrow night at St. Patrick's church in that city.

The Weather.

Warmer, cloudy weather and rain, followed by earing weather in southern half, winds shifting to outherly and westerly, lower barometer, followed on Thursday by colder weather,

Yesterday's thermometer 7 a. m., 42.1°; 11 a. m., 45.7°; 8 p. m., 49.0°; 7 p. m., 48.2°; 11 p. m., 49.9°; maximum, 49.9°; minimum, 3.81°. Precipita-

PRESIDENT ARTHUR.

His Administration Graphically and Eloquently Sketched by Congressman Davis.

It Is Unanimously Indorsed by Illinois Republicans at Chicago.

The Fitz-John Porter Bill Denounced and the Senate Urged to Fight It,

Hopeful Outlook for the Coming Prest dential Campaign.

CHICAGO, I.L., Feb. 12.—At a largely attended meeting of Illinois republicans, called by the state central committee, Congress man Davis, whose recommendation for district at torney was rejected by the President concinded his speech with the following words:
"Permit me to say that I see occasion for
extreme felicity in the present condition of
our party. I think I may say we have never
gone into a presidential contest with
our own gallant army more united, more
hopeful, and more determined, or with the
enemy more divided, more uncertain, and
more dispirited. Compare the situation today with that of four years ago. Then the
doubtful leadership of a triumvir of senators
precipitated a faction fight which seriously
threatened the existence of the party. The
lines were sharply drawn, and it seemed at if
many mea were more anxious for the triumph
of their own particular candidate than for
the really far more important issue which cluded his speech with the following words: of their own particular candidate than for the really far more important issue which separated the two great parties. It was ordered, and perhaps wheely, that neither of the illustrious names about which the fragments of the party rallied should find a place on the ticket, yet the bitternois engondered was wide spread and deep seated. The feud outlived the convention, and although a truce was observed during the campaign, it broke out affects and with increased vehemence after the inauguration. How lamentable it ended we all remember, and the remembrance carries a pang of mingled grief and remorse to every republican heart. But an all-wise Providence overruied it to our good. There came to the chair of state such a man as the lauriate of Britain deemed the from Duke to be, "To true occasion, true rich in serving the common sense, a tower of strength which stood four square to every wind that blew." Untried in great affairs, distrusted by a large fraction of his own purch his let was federed at the carrier of the contradiction of his own purch his let was federed at the carrier of the carrier of the contradiction of his own purch his let was federed at the carrier of the carrier of the carrier of the contradiction of his own purch his let was federed at the carrier of the carr four square to every wind that blow." Untried in great affairs, distrusted by a large fraction of his own party, his lot was indeed a desporate one. Who wonders that he entered upon the discharge of his duties with combent head and faltering steps and a most unwilling mind. Yet how admirably has he filled his station. With a master hand he has painted out the picture where all was dead and painted in a scene where harmony and hepefulness prevailed. Quietly and unpretentious, yet steadily and sometimes courageously, he has moved on in the administration of the business of the govern ment until he has won the approval and applicates of all houest citizens of whatever faction, and I had well nigh added of whatever party. Perhaps none so readily as his faction, and I had well high added of what-ever party. Perhaps none so readily as his old time enemies now point with pride to the incumbent of the presidential office, and so I say, gentlemen, that the outlook is a pleasing one, and what a world of gratitude does every true republican owe the man who has wrought this wonderful change. Yet, don't misundrestand me. I am not engaged in trying to nominate any change. Yet, don't misundrestand me. I am not engaged in trying to nominate any candidate. Of all the agreeable things said of the President none mean so much as this: With the vast army of office holders under his control, with the mighty engine of patronage at his command, at the school where he taught that he was gine of patronage at his command, sick, and had remained in his room during the whole of the past week. This morning he ventured out for the first time. It was said at Miss Almey's boarding house that she went every morning early and did not return until night, and it is supposed that she spont the day watching Almey's to take care of itself. Men say his side. to take care of itself. Men say his administration has been a negative one, need last autumn at a house No. 26 kast y-second atreet, where they boarded it. Their actions then did not indicate there was any love-making, as could be ascertained. They ed to be only friends. There was gin Miss Almey's deportment in any considerations aside, is not the quiet, undergoes where the lived which was in monstrative government much the most satisfactors. considerations aside, is not the quiet unde-monstrative government much the most sat-isfactory to the country at large? May we not go before the whole people with confi-dence upon the record of the present admin-

istration? Mr. Davis then offered the following resolution, which was adopted unanimously : lution, which was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, that the administration of President
Arthur deserves and enjoys the approval of all
good clitizens and the sincere gratitude of all good
republicans. It is free from sit taint of corrustion. It has been characterized by remarkable
wissiom and moderation composing the discordant
elements which distracted the country during the
earlier months of its term, and establishing a condition of peace and order wholescens and gratifying. It has been at all times in close sympany
with the best sentiment of the nation, and has
proved a faithful expenses of the highest purposes of the republican party.

By Associated Press.

Chicago, Feb. 12.—The republican state

CHICAGO, Feb. 12.—The republican state central committee held a session here to-day, which was attended not only by the members of the committee but by prominent republi-cans from all parts of the state. Among others present were ex-Governor Oglesby, Congressman George E. Davis, and General Congressman George E. Davis, and General J. B. Hawley, all of Lwhom made speeches. A resolution offered by Congressman Davis, indorsing the administration of President Arthur in strong terms, was adopted unanimously. A resolution denouncing the democratic congressmen for having passed the Fitz-John Porter bill and urging Sonators Logan and Cullem to fight it in the senate was also adopted. The prependerance of sentiment among those from country districts appeared to be in favor of Senator Logan for president with a strong opposition gan for president with a strong opposition from Chicago,

The Mistletoe German.

The third german of the series of the Mistletoe German club was given last evening at the residence of the Missos Morgan, daughters of Dr. James E. Morgan, 905 E street Invitations were necessarily limited to members of the club and a few guests, the most of whom arrived after the President's reception. Mr. Robert Lee, of Virginia, led, introducing several pretty figures. The favor figures numbered five and the favors were very unique. The next and last german of the club will be given at the residence of the Misses Jonkins.

Report of the Greely Relief Board. The report of the board of officers appointed to consider plans for the Greely relief expedition has been made public. The programme embraces the establishment of a depot on lat-tleton island, with stores for a year; ship No. 1 to proceed to the northward, leaving No. 2 as a base to fall back on if necessary. If No. 1 be disabled, No. 2, before advancing, is to be disabled, No. 2, before ad form a depot at Dobbyn bay.

Company C. Company C, of the Washington Light Infantry Corps, had their inaugural drill last night, under their new captain, John C. Entwistle. There were about thirty-five men in line, and their foot movements and manual of arms were perfect.

To Apologize to Dr. Newman. New York, Feb. 12.—The trustees of Dr. Newman's church have refused to call a meeting of the church at the request of five of the deacons, and have adopted resolutions condemning the recent stuck upon Dr. Newman, and they recommend that Dr. Easing should apologize to Newman.